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“Green Jobs” Curriculum Legislation by De La Torre Passes Labor Committee

Legislation addresses California’s growing demands for a clean energy workforce

Sacramento, CA – In a bipartisan vote, the Assembly Labor Committee yesterday passed Assembly Bill 2224 authored by Assemblymember Hector De La Torre (D-South Gate) which will help California meet the demand for “green jobs” in the future.

Specifically, Assembly Bill 2224 will require the Labor and Workforce Development Agency to create a California Green energy curriculum. The agency will convene interested stakeholders from both the public and private sector and draw from existing sources to create the curriculum. Once finalized, the curriculum will be available to educators working in California’s high schools, community colleges, adult educational and vocational programs, and other educational institutions throughout the state.

“Assembly Bill 2224 will create a standardized curriculum for solar and other clean energy training programs to meet California’s growing demand for clean energy, which creates a growing need for a trained workforce to build the state’s clean energy infrastructure,” said De La Torre. “This curriculum would be distributed to schools, private institutions, non-profit organizations and schools to recruit and educate the next generation of workers pursuing careers in clean energy.”

De La Torre believes that as California continues to serve as a leader in the environmental field it is critical that we facilitate the growth of the green sector. By providing a standardized curriculum that can lend guidance or compliment existing practices, the state can ensure the creating of new jobs and affirm our commitment to aggressively pursuing the environmental goals that have already been set.

Assembly Bill 2224 is co-sponsored by Environment CA and the Latino Issues Forum. It will next be heard in the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

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